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No further survivors from the Kompong Luong beachhead have arrived at the government base at Lovek, some 25 miles northwest of Phnom Penh. Some 600 men are still listed as missing. Khmer Communist initiatives against Lovek in the past few days have been limited to light ground probes,

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East of Phnom Penh, government aircraft continue to ferry troop reinforcements and additional artillery into Prey Veng City. Communist resistance has stymied government efforts to move overland to the provincial capital, however.

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Ground pressure against Kampot City on the southwestern coast has abated almost completely since the beginning of the week. Local defenders are moving cautiously to expand their defensive perimeter, and, contrary to earlier reports, have not yet opened the waterway linking Kampot to the sea.